

65
1-305
US. d
B



Australian Bureau of Statistics



CATALOGUE NO. 1305.0

EMBARGOED UNTIL 11.30 A.M. 15 NOVEMBER 1988

DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA SEPTEMBER 1988

PHONE INQUIRIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>about these statistics</i> — contact Information Services on Canberra (062) 52 6627 or any ABS State office.• <i>about other statistics and ABS services</i> — contact Information Services on Canberra (062) 52 6627, 52 5402, 52 6007 or any ABS State office.
MAIL INQUIRIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>write to Information Services</i>, ABS, P.O. Box 10, Belconnen, A.C.T. 2616 or any ABS State office.
ELECTRONIC SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• on VIATEL — key *656#.• on AUSSTATS — phone (062) 52 6017.• on TELESTATS — phone (062) 52 5404.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

1. The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly economic series. Where possible, statistics are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Adjustments to series

2. Besides being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

3. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

Related publications

4. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$10.00). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

5. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

p	preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
n.y.a.	not yet available
—	break in continuity of series (where drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column)
r	figure or series revised since previous issue

6. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

Electronic services

VIATEL. Key *656# for selected current economic, social and demographic statistics.

AUSSTATS. Thousands of up-to-date time series are available on this ABS on-line service through CSIRONET.

For further information phone the AUSSTATS Help Desk on (062) 52 6017.

TELESTATS. This service provides foreign trade statistics tailored to users' requirements.

Further information is available on (062) 52 5404.

Floppy disk service

Selected ABS statistics are available on floppy disk. Further information is available on (062) 52 6684.

IAN CASTLES
Australian Statistician

PRODUCTION

Month	Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720W '000		Four weeks ended	Coal (e) '000 tonnes
			Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
1987-88—																
July		46.3	12,567	10,827	56,709	45,358	552	512	505	477	31.1	25.5	193	173	July 25	14,413
August		47.2	12,075	11,116	52,306	46,685	547	525	485	478	28.4	25.4	187	179	August 22	14,206
September	26,629	40.4	11,228	11,210	49,379	45,451	562	541	509	487	29.4	26.1	209	175	September 19	10,675
October		49.4	11,346	11,469	45,493	44,555	524	513	556	503	29.8	26.6	225	184	October 17	15,350
November		40.6	10,870	11,552	39,857	43,346	479	496	525	504	29.8	27.2	201	176	November 14	15,484
December	26,225	30.6	10,994	11,640	37,958	43,252	445	453	532	525	25.1	27.3	190	185	December 12	15,247
January		29.7	10,937	11,739	35,567	43,345	406	414	362	530	6.9	23.2	84	177	January 9	4,267
February		41.4	10,798	11,526	37,696	43,440	475	510	509	507	25.2	25.9	184	185	February 6	12,940
March	24,283	44.9	11,433	11,488	42,214	44,379	589	584	545	519	31.3	27.3	197	183	March 5	13,209
April		35.5	10,788	11,544	39,137	43,298	495	529	499	514	24.0	28.0	168	200	April 2	14,876
May		37.0	11,772	11,443	47,062	43,527	484	474	537	521	28.5	28.5	213	238	April 30	12,605
June	25,671	38.7	12,104	11,182	45,610	44,303	536	532	586	584	28.3	26.1	228	221	May 28	14,863
1988-89—																
July		42.8	12,634	11,033	54,780	44,128	555	521	556	532	26.0	22.9	217	207	June 25	10,111
August		41.7	12,760	11,635	54,649	47,094	562	530	595	583	31.4	26.4	240	216	July 23	n.y.a.
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	11,816	11,795	48,683	45,376	552	525	574	543	30.8	27.2	239	201	August 20	n.y.a.

(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for issue through mains; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state. (e) Excludes lignite.

PRODUCTION—continued

STOCKS(d)

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) ' 000 sq m		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blanketing) ' 000 sq m		Man-made fibre-cloth ' 000 sq m		Price index manufac- turing division(a) (Base year 1968-69 = 100.0)	Meat '000 tonnes		Whole milk intake by factories(b) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$ m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Total receipts- tonnes	% of total received by brokers(c)	Original	Seas. adj.
1987-88—															
July	4,419	3,522	921	870	15,826	13,868	474.1	209	194	349	512	61,117	81.6		
August	3,739	3,361	913	951	16,509	15,169	478.3	186	198	486	503	97,670	81.9		
September	3,628	3,285	1,107	1,013	14,659	13,479	480.8	203	189	649	504	127,858	80.4	46,152	45,976
October	4,061	3,515	1,008	899	14,709	12,876	483.0	234	222	797	514	122,358	78.0		
November	3,387	3,434	966	871	14,312	13,382	486.8	214	216	752	513	104,412	77.7		
December	2,582	3,371	775	929	13,063	15,470	489.6	198	209	696	516	59,737	77.0	47,161	47,288
January	781	2,818	448	769	3,673	12,454	494.3	181	211	604	508	37,755	80.7		
February	3,324	3,298	994	885	15,279	14,096	498.4	215	219	471	519	58,638	79.1		
March	3,465	3,078	1,069	868	15,394	13,619	501.3	235	209	399	501	60,137	79.1	48,189	48,079
April	3,324	3,358	772	840	13,159	13,697	504.2	182	191	321	503	40,871	79.9		
May	3,305	3,016	833	817	14,792	14,153	507.0	187	182	302	504	38,798	84.2		
June	3,396	3,037	827	823	16,122	13,982	507.8	185	178	286	501	34,985	86.3	48,119	48,299
1988-89—															
July	3,869	3,171	1,878	1,905	15,921	14,565	509.6	165	166	338	497	58,821	81.8		
August	3,568	3,197	893	816	16,760	14,781	513.8	198	194	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
September	3,635	3,061	849	835	16,719	14,975	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

(a) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (b) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (c) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (d) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.0

FOREIGN TRADE

Month	Value of total exports (a) \$m	Value of total imports (a) \$m	Values at average 1970-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups (Base year 1974-75 = 100.0)	Import price index All groups (Base year 1981-82 = 100.0)	Balance of Payments—current transactions \$m		Official reserve assets (b) \$m
			Exports f.o.b.	Imports f.o.b.			Balance on goods and services	Balance on current account	
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.					
1987-88—									
July	2,916	3,472			245		-782	-1,327	18,512
August	3,160	2,968			247		-288	-851	19,315
September	3,081	3,398	6,516	7,553	252	158.2	-643	-1,228	19,557
October	3,306	3,302			253		-497	-1,320	19,858
November	3,350	3,518			258		-336	-854	17,607
December	3,842	3,594	8,944	8,268	264	164.6	-30	-666	17,430
January	3,503	2,926			268		332	-496	17,169
February	3,639	3,589			272		-149	-988	16,869
March	3,595	3,748	9,303	8,617	278	165.5	-378	-1,206	17,331
April	3,589	3,086			280		254	-556	18,564
May	3,463	3,655			283		-406	-1,346	19,457
June	3,440	3,323	8,387	8,437	282	p159.6	-121	-930	20,182
1988-89—									
July	3,112	3,633			p280		-873	-1,527	20,226
August	3,460	3,825			p279		-696	-1,327	20,176
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	-382	-990	n.y.a.

(a) Non-merchandise trade is excluded from export and import statistics. (b) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

RETAIL TRADE

Retail sales of goods (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) (a) \$m

Month	Total					Grocers, confectioners, tobacconists	Department stores	New motor cars and station wagons registered '000		Other new motor vehicles registered(b) '000			
	Current prices			Average 1984-85 prices				Original	Trend estimate	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
	Original	Seas. adj.	Trend estimate	Original	Seas. adj.								
1987-87— June r	5,296	5,617	5,650	13,478 ^f	13,939 ^f	1,489	1,559	653	699	32.6	30.3	8.1	7.2
1987-88— July	5,676 ^f	5,801 ^f	5,698 ^f			1,560 ^f	1,562 ^f	701 ^f	703 ^f	32.6	30.0	7.7	6.5
August	5,403	5,737	5,742			1,529	1,568	586	706	29.1	29.1	6.2	6.2
September	5,585	5,773	5,777	13,680	14,196	1,531	1,576	657	709	34.0	32.3	6.7	6.8
October	5,917	5,795	5,805			1,628	1,585	692	712	31.8	31.9	7.1	7.4
November	5,879	5,827	5,833			1,578	1,595	728	718	29.0	30.7	6.4	7.1
December	8,099	5,868	5,859	16,087	14,172	1,894	1,604	1,426	723	37.0	35.6	7.6	8.4
January	5,545	5,864	5,889			1,565	1,612	615	727	24.9	30.2	4.8	6.1
February	5,378	5,895	5,923			1,546	1,621	539	730	28.8	30.3	6.7	7.0
March	5,929	6,072	5,959	13,459	14,224	1,694	1,629	666	731	35.0	30.4	7.8	6.6
April	5,713	5,973	5,998			1,623	1,638	703	734	29.7	33.7	7.0	7.3
May	5,888	5,866	6,038			1,595	1,647	727	738	35.5	33.8	8.8	8.2
June	5,870	6,234	6,078	13,618	14,089	1,609	1,654	710	742	36.8	33.5	9.6	8.3
1988-89— July	5,855	6,115	6,114			1,616	1,661	691	746	r32.3	r32.1	r7.9	r7.3
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.			n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p37.1	p34.4	p9.1	p8.3

(a) Series based on 1984-85 Retail Census; excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses.

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Average weekly earnings of employees (\$)		Average weekly ordinary time earnings, full-time adult persons (\$)	Index of minimum award rates of pay, full-time adult persons June 1985 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities (Base of each Index: Year 1980-81= 100.0 unless otherwise stated)								
	All males	All females				All groups	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(a)
1987-88—														
July				109.9										
August	457.00	302.30	444.20	110.0	1.22	170.0	160.2	159.1	172.3	168.8	181.9	192.6	163.7	148.7
September				110.2										
October				110.4										
November	470.00	306.50	450.10	110.6	1.46	172.9	162.2	163.8	174.4	171.4	186.7	195.9	168.4	149.5
December				111.2										
January				111.5										
February	474.90	315.30	458.80	113.5	1.34	176.0	165.0	163.9	177.2	173.4	188.6	199.8	176.2	155.3
March				113.6										
April			n.y.a.	113.6	1.38									
May	481.70	316.40		113.6		179.0	170.4	170.1	180.8	176.1	188.2	203.0	179.2	156.9
June				113.6										
1988-89—														
July				n.y.a.	1.33									
August	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		182.4	175.1	170.8	188.0	179.0	191.1	205.6	180.6	158.1
September				n.y.a.										

(a) Base of index series: March Quarter 1982 = 100.0

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month					Government building approved \$ m					Price indexes(a)				Private new capital expenditure(b)(c) \$ m			
	Building approvals \$ m		Building approvals commenced '000 units			Building commenced, total \$ m		Dwellings commenced '000 units		Materials used in building (Base year 1985-86 = 100.0)		Materials used in building other than house building (Base year 1979-80 = 100.0)		Buildings and structures		Equipment, plant and machinery	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1986-87— June	1,607.7	1,482.8	11.0	10.2	286.0	4,433.4	4,365.3	27.8	27.8	108.4	186.9	1,781	1,775	3,892	3,595		
1987-88— July	1,603.6	1,557.4	11.2	10.6	206.7					108.9	187.7						
August	1,846.7	1,687.3	10.5	10.5	181.2					109.8	188.9						
September	1,615.2	1,618.0	11.6	11.0	226.4	4,844.3	4,596.8	31.0	29.4	110.2	189.8	1,951	1,977	3,461	3,513		
October	1,818.7	1,759.8	12.1	11.5	228.0					110.8	191.7						
November	1,778.4	1,676.2	12.6	12.1	167.9					112.0	194.3						
December	1,727.1	1,740.8	11.8	12.0	262.8	5,061.0	5,015.1	33.4	32.7	112.9	196.2	2,399	2,083	4,091	3,895		
January	1,462.0	1,917.5	10.2	12.4	170.3					113.8	198.5						
February	1,919.4	2,100.3	12.8	12.4	256.3					114.7	199.4						
March	1,825.1	1,687.1	14.5	13.2	209.2	5,374.2	5,820.3	33.3	35.9	116.1	200.9	1,768	2,070	3,400	3,857		
April	1,878.6	2,028.6	12.6	13.9	212.1					117.4	202.6						
May	2,562.3	2,367.9	15.3	14.1	457.2					p118.8	p204.8						
June	2,182.2	2,026.5	16.0	14.9	355.0	6,014.7	5,931.3	38.1	38.5	p119.7	p206.2	p2,200	p2,190	p3,992	p3,677		
1988-89— July	2,272.1	2,409.1	15.0	15.2	160.5					p120.5	p207.0						
August	2,313.1	1,938.5	18.0	17.0	218.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p121.5	p208.1						

(a) Weighted average six State capital cities. (b) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction. (c) These data are not directly comparable with estimates published prior to 10 December 1987.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors' balances (a)		Major trading banks (b)				Housing finance for owner occupation secured commitments to individuals (c)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (e) per cent	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
	\$m		Deposits \$m		Advances \$m		Bucks \$m	Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (d) \$m		
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1987-88—											
July	53,640	53,398	46,598	46,881	46,183	45,949	1,004	191	76	12.85	5,929
August	54,244	53,865	45,902	46,674	45,794	46,009	908	217	67	12.60	6,877
September	55,012	54,818	45,865	46,271	46,540	46,935	1,220	258	76	11.80	5,199
October	55,334	55,291	46,926	47,148	47,491	47,164	1,155	326	80	13.00	5,644
November	55,969	56,152	47,567	48,223	47,574	47,684	1,162	294	76	12.35	6,735
December	57,495	56,901	47,873	47,424	48,614	48,471	1,345	257	72	11.45	7,485
January	56,910	57,102	47,120	47,006	47,729	47,989	850	175	61	11.35	6,494
February	57,485	57,359	46,638	46,156	47,320	47,986	1,331	288	79	11.55	6,730
March	57,599	57,996	47,608	46,709	47,704	47,864	1,771	390	96	10.85	8,596
April	58,799	59,633	47,544	46,831	47,743	46,898	1,324	322	82	10.90	9,496
May	60,150	60,582	47,026	47,172	47,526	47,155	1,610	421	101	12.30	9,988
June	61,756	61,482	48,954	48,987	48,847	48,970	1,926	405	100	11.70	8,367
1988-89—											
July	63,240	62,875	48,943	49,424	48,998	48,746	1,458	339	82	12.05	6,765
August	64,581	64,096	48,369	49,116	49,734	49,968	1,682	322	96	12.30	8,032
September	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	49,153	49,793	50,743	51,189	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	12.90	n.y.a.

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Excludes loans for alterations and additions. (d) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government institutions. (e) This series is based on non-rebate bonds.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS
(\$ million)

Quarter	Final consumption expenditure														Gross fixed capital expenditure			
	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Private				Government		Private		Public			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		
	AT CURRENT PRICES																	
1986-87—	62,597	65,823	2,226	2,638	60,371	63,185	37,377	38,987	11,436	12,245	9,934	10,975	4,205	4,830				
March qtr	66,694	68,791	1,739	2,733	64,955	66,058	39,165	39,798	13,352	12,526	11,685	11,344	5,861	4,918				
June qtr																		
1987-88—	70,411	69,866	2,444	2,820	67,967	67,046	41,016	41,218	12,271	12,714	11,907	11,763	4,235	4,663				
September qtr	76,891	71,700	5,038	2,992	71,853	68,708	44,484	41,884	13,276	12,810	13,414	12,747	4,685	4,608				
December qtr	71,106	74,310	2,539	3,474	68,567	70,836	41,417	42,986	12,364	13,246	12,136	13,369	4,018	4,633				
March qtr	73,479	76,367	2,025	3,087	71,454	73,280	43,077	43,775	14,502	13,618	14,055	13,705	5,421	4,477				
June qtr																		
AT AVERAGE 1984-85 PRICES																		
1986-87—	54,073	56,783	2,101	2,461	51,972	54,322	31,437	32,807	10,023	10,778	8,026	8,857	3,565	4,095				
March qtr	56,449	58,212	1,435	2,423	55,014	55,789	32,465	32,955	11,706	10,909	9,344	9,075	4,922	4,130				
June qtr																		
1987-88—	57,994	58,081	1,782	2,294	56,212	55,787	33,410	33,527	10,394	10,836	9,384	9,273	3,498	3,851				
September qtr	63,335	58,654	4,340	2,387	58,995	56,267	35,644	33,623	11,289	10,857	10,425	9,904	3,793	3,731				
December qtr	56,609	59,020	1,828	2,507	54,781	56,513	32,637	33,895	10,292	11,081	9,318	10,271	3,176	3,564				
March qtr	57,433	59,469	1,448	2,203	55,985	57,266	33,386	33,886	12,077	11,263	10,550	10,268	4,241	3,496				
June qtr																		

AT CURRENT PRICES—continued

Quarter	Imports of goods and services						Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Household income (original)			
	Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Seas. adj.	
	Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Original		Seas. adj.		Original		Seas. adj.	
1986-87—	11,414	12,054	10,438	10,844	31,587	33,246	8,488	9,187	14,826	15,950	31,574	50,174	10,865	39,309
March qtr	11,830	11,935	11,107	10,889	34,570	34,293	9,398	9,826	14,722	16,851	34,566	56,274	15,885	40,389
June qtr														
1987-88—	12,614	11,969	10,901	11,066	35,035	35,039	10,036	9,693	17,377	16,831	35,038	55,823	9,693	46,130
September qtr	13,179	13,051	12,376	12,113	37,262	35,835	11,349	10,443	19,809	16,869	37,244	61,641	10,999	50,642
December qtr	13,063	13,823	12,868	13,299	35,886	36,819	9,950	10,780	16,574	18,289	35,866	55,943	12,003	43,940
March qtr	12,865	12,975	12,592	12,375	37,374	37,683	11,058	11,575	16,238	18,450	37,359	59,842	15,878	43,964
June qtr														

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debts interest and transfer to overseas.

**SURVEY
OF JOB
VACANCIES
(b)**

LABOUR FORCE(a)

Month	Employed ('000 persons)				Unemployed ('000 persons)				Unemployment rate (per cent)		Participation rate (per cent)		Number of job vacancies ('000)
	Full-time workers		Total		Looking for full-time work		Total		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1987—													
July	5,771.9	5,760.7	7,157.8	7,145.3	510.9	528.7	610.2	636.6	7.9	8.2	62.2	62.3	56.2
August	5,656.3	5,716.0	7,073.2	7,136.3	495.4	509.2	601.9	626.4	7.8	8.1	61.4	62.0	
September	5,734.4	5,720.8	7,165.8	7,129.3	489.6	501.8	598.2	603.6	7.7	7.8	62.0	61.8	
October	5,751.0	5,755.7	7,156.1	7,145.2	475.6	514.6	585.2	632.2	7.6	8.1	61.7	62.0	52.2
November	5,705.6	5,708.7	7,159.9	7,125.3	469.6	508.7	566.5	617.9	7.3	8.0	61.5	61.6	
December	5,872.2	5,794.4	7,307.9	7,218.8	506.7	501.6	619.6	611.8	7.8	7.8	63.0	62.2	
1988—													
January	5,825.0	5,832.3	7,145.3	7,296.0	541.9	499.6	645.2	614.1	8.3	7.8	61.8	62.8	61.8
February	5,845.6	5,833.6	7,219.1	7,261.7	519.8	466.6	642.8	583.7	8.2	7.4	62.3	62.2	
March	5,884.5	5,859.2	7,366.1	7,310.8	493.0	467.5	642.5	588.3	8.0	7.4	63.3	62.5	
April	5,874.6	5,891.9	7,353.5	7,342.4	491.4	490.1	642.8	628.5	8.0	7.9	63.1	62.9	58.5
May	5,854.3	5,871.6	7,326.1	7,318.7	468.6	469.6	591.9	592.5	7.5	7.5	62.4	62.3	
June	5,862.9	5,892.7	7,351.6	7,354.5	459.3	471.2	568.5	584.8	7.2	7.4	62.3	62.5	
July	5,913.4	5,902.0	7,357.7	7,345.0	432.2	446.2	519.3	540.6	6.6	6.9	61.8	61.9	65.8
August	5,856.0	5,917.8	7,330.1	7,396.2	445.9	457.6	538.8	559.5	6.8	7.0	61.7	62.4	
September	5,962.7	5,949.9	7,480.2	7,442.6	439.2	450.1	554.5	558.5	6.9	7.0	62.9	62.6	

(a) Estimates derived from the labour force survey part of monthly population survey, which is based on a sample of dwellings and covers about three-fifths of one per cent of the population of Australia. For further information see *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). (b) Estimates derived from a survey of private sector employers and government agencies. For further information see *Job Vacancies, Australia* (6231.0).

EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS, STATES AND TERRITORIES(a)
('000 persons)

Month	Australia										Total Public and Private			
	Public													
	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Private	Common- wealth		State(b)	Local	Total
1987—														
April	1,979.8	1,589.5	817.6	476.8	522.5	154.7	55.4	122.1	3,979.1	441.7	1,144.1	153.6	1,739.4	5,718.5
May	1,989.6	1,604.0	822.4	477.5	525.1	155.9	56.0	123.4	4,003.8	442.1	1,152.8	155.3	1,750.2	5,754.0
June	1,991.7	1,596.7	822.2	477.7	525.3	154.2	56.8	122.7	3,989.7	442.5	1,158.8	156.6	1,757.9	5,747.5
July	2,002.3	1,626.9	821.2	485.1	524.5	153.4	55.4	121.6	4,002.4	502.4	1,130.6	154.9	1,788.0	5,790.3
August	2,002.6	1,619.4	818.0	483.4	524.0	152.2	55.0	122.2	4,034.1	436.5	1,149.6	156.7	1,742.8	5,776.9
September	2,009.0	1,623.3	819.3	483.3	523.0	151.3	54.7	122.3	4,039.8	433.4	1,156.0	157.0	1,749.6	5,796.2
October	2,035.0	1,629.1	830.5	479.9	521.4	150.4	52.3	123.2	4,085.1	432.1	1,147.5	156.5	1,736.8	5,821.9
November	2,059.7	1,639.7	837.6	484.9	528.1	151.5	52.5	125.3	4,140.3	432.2	1,149.3	157.2	1,739.1	5,879.3
December	2,065.8	1,649.2	833.2	484.9	529.1	153.1	51.4	125.0	4,161.0	432.6	1,140.0	157.9	1,730.5	5,891.6
1988—														
January	2,042.1	1,610.9	806.8	r483.4	r504.5	148.0	50.3	121.4	r4,097.3	428.5	1,087.3	154.2	1,670.0	r5,767.4
February	2,090.0	1,642.5	818.8	r491.7	r516.8	149.6	49.8	125.1	r4,177.8	432.1	1,118.3	156.2	1,706.7	r5,884.4
March	2,093.7	1,656.1	828.7	r494.7	r522.7	150.6	50.7	126.2	r4,193.2	432.8	1,141.1	156.2	1,730.0	r5,923.2
April	2,099.0	1,640.6	829.0	491.0	518.7	148.7	52.0	125.0	4,169.9	430.4	1,148.7	155.0	1,734.0	5,903.9
May	2,115.6	1,652.4	843.1	492.7	521.8	149.5	53.0	126.4	4,209.9	432.9	1,155.9	155.7	1,744.6	5,954.5
June	2,109.1	1,646.3	842.2	491.2	520.8	148.6	54.1	126.4	4,198.9	431.7	1,152.9	155.5	1,739.8	5,938.7

(a) Results of sample survey of approximately 20,000 private employers selected from the ABS register of businesses. Data from all Government Employers are collected. For further details see *Employed Wage and Salary Earners, Australia* (6248.0). Excludes wage and salary earners in the private sector employed in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, hunting, private households and members of the permanent defence forces. (b) Includes the Northern Territory Government.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS, CANBERRA, FROM WHICH THE SERIES IN THIS DIGEST ARE DERIVED

<i>Catalogue No.</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Frequency</i>
<i>Production</i>		
6412.0	Price Indexes of Articles Produced by Manufacturing Industry, Australia	monthly
7215.0	Livestock Products, Australia	"
8301.0	Production Statistics, Australia, Preliminary	"
8357.0	Production Bulletin No. 1: Electrical Appliances, Australia	"
8358.0	Production Bulletin No. 2: Clothing and Footwear, Australia	"
8360.0	Production Bulletin No. 4: Textiles, Bedding and Floor Coverings, Australia	"
8361.0	Production Bulletin No. 5: Building Materials and Fittings, Australia	"
8363.0	Production Bulletin No. 7: Motor Vehicles, Motor Bodies and Trailed Vehicles, Australia	quarterly
<i>Stocks</i>		
5629.0	Stocks and Manufacturers' Sales, Australia	quarterly
<i>Overseas transactions</i>		
5301.0	Balance of Payments, Australia	monthly
5302.0	Balance of Payments, Australia	quarterly
6405.0	Export Price Index, Australia	monthly
6414.0	Import Price Index, Australia	quarterly
<i>Internal trade</i>		
8501.0	Retail Trade, Australia (Previously: Retail Sales of Goods (Excluding Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.), Australia)	monthly
9301.0	Registrations of New Motor Vehicles, Australia, Preliminary	monthly
<i>Wages, overtime and retail prices</i>		
6301.0	Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, Preliminary	quarterly
6302.0	Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia	"
6312.0	Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia	monthly
6330.0	Overtime, Australia	quarterly
6401.0	Consumer Price Index	"
<i>Building and new fixed capital expenditure</i>		
5625.0	Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia, Preliminary	quarterly
5626.0	Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia	"
6407.0	Price Index of Materials Used in Building Other than House Building, Eight Capital Cities	monthly
6408.0	Price Index of Materials Used in House Building, Six State Capital Cities and Canberra	"
8731.0	Building Approvals, Australia	"
8752.0	Building Activity, Australia	quarterly
<i>Finance</i>		
5602.0	Savings Banks, Australia	monthly
5603.0	Major Trading Banks, Australia	"
5605.0	Banking, Australia	quarterly
5609.0	Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia	monthly
<i>National accounts</i>		
5206.0	Australian National Accounts: National Income and Expenditure	quarterly
<i>Civilian labour force, unemployed persons and job vacancies</i>		
6203.0	The Labour Force, Australia	monthly
6231.0	Job Vacancies, Australia	quarterly
6248.0	Employed Wage and Salary Earners, Australia	"

NOTE: A limited number of copies of the above publications are available on request from Information Services, ABS, P.O. Box 10, Belconnen, A.C.T. 2616, or from any ABS State Office.

